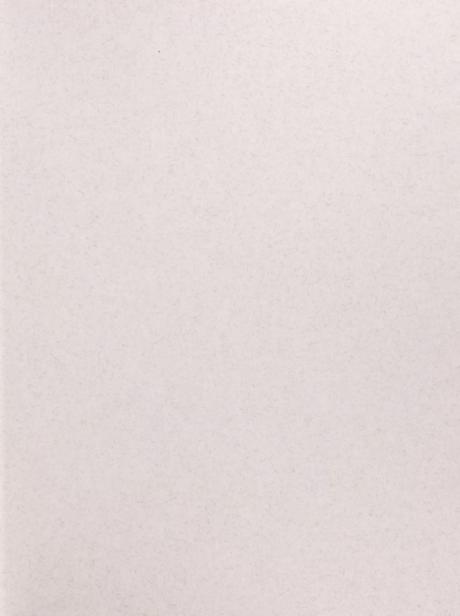
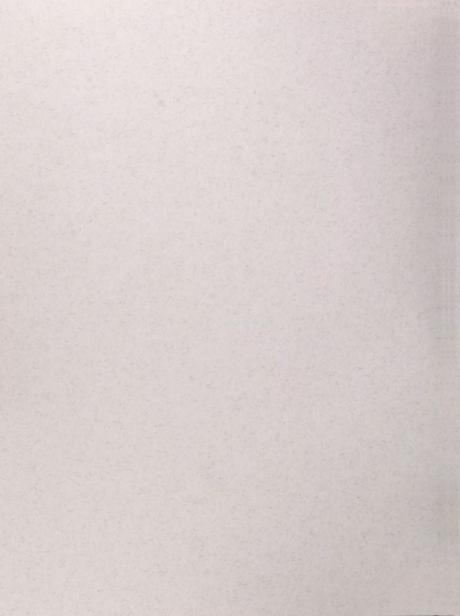


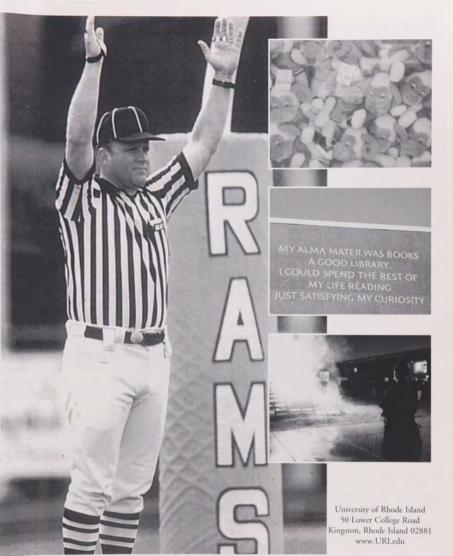
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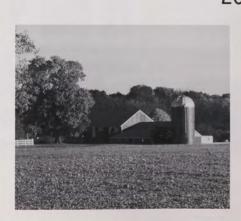






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Do you remember what happened to you on the first day of classes? How about the last? Over the past four to five years there have been many changes. Remember having to re-rout your path to class because of filming of "Outside Providence"?Freshmen now want to live on campus, but then again so do some Seniors In 1996, Princess Diana and Prince Charles announced their divorce (finalized in 1997), only two years later she passed away in a fatal accident. The \$100 bill is replaced with a new design the same year, 2000 held the \$1 coin and new \$10's and \$5's being printed in the mints. State coins were also big, 1999 released Connecticut, Massachusetts, Georgia, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. No Rhode Island until the year 2003. 1996 was the year Bill Watterson, comic creator of Calvin and Hobbs, retired after only ten years of drawing the famous duo. Steven



King was about to release the first of his, "The Green Mile" series, while this year a sneak preview of the movie was shown in Edwards Auditorium. "Friends" was in its second season, still a favorite among some Hutchinson residents. Musical Legend, Jerry Garcia, died of a heart attack on August 9th; thousands of "deadheads" mourn his passing. The Cleveland Browns moved to Baltimore and the Houston Oilers head toward Nashville. Also in sports, Quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami dolphins, set four lifetime passing records, after the 1999 season he retired. Also in 1996, the blue M &M joins the candy coated mixture. 1997 was the beginning of President Bill Clinton's second term, a decision many voters regretted making in 1999. The New York Yankees won the World Series for the 23rd time.

The British lease on Hong Kong expired giving the tiny island freedom. Watch out Rhody, a sheep was cloned in 1997 bring up endless questions about the future of science. The Olympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia were put on hold after a pipe bomb exploded, injuring more than 100 spectators. A first grader in North Carolina was suspended from his school (for a short time) after violating the city school's sexual conduct code; he kissed a little girl. Nintendo 64 was released in 1997; it was proven to go over three times faster than any other game system on the market. Play station released a new version by Fall 2000 which ran many times faster. An "oxygen bar" opened in Toronto, Canada allowing patrons to pay a small

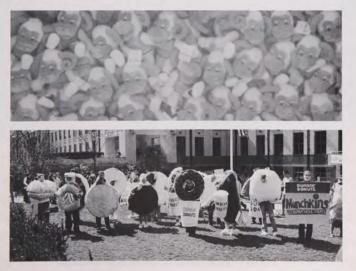






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price to breathe a few minutes of pure oxygen. Madonna gave birth to her first child, Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon. John Kennedy Junior was secretly married to Carolyn Bessette on a small island off of the coast of Georgia. J.E.K. Jr. and Carolyn B. Kennedy died in a plane accident in 1999. Also in 1997, George Lucas released the original Star Wars Episodes 4,5 and 6 with edited scenes and special effects. 1999 was the release of Episode 1 and 2001 will be the year of Episode 2. KISS reunited for a tour after not performing together since 1979; the summer of 2000 will close out the last of their touring. The Yankees win the World Series for the second year in a row. Tickle Me Elmo sells out in stores across the country and is considered the biggest selling toy of the year. Furbys lined the shelves of stores this year along with Pokemon as the must haves. 1998 was a sad year for some major companies when characters like Joe Camel were banned for life. They were said, to be aimed toward minors by the Federal Trade Commission. El Nino brought controversy to weather around the world and is blamed for storms. Renowned oceanographer, Jacques Cousteau passed away in 1998 at 87 years old. His work was considered a breakthrough in ocean studies and he is a role model to many. The Chevrolet Corvette was named Motor Trend's Car of the Year for 1998. Watch out world, Barbie became more





"real", with a smaller chest, larger waist, smaller hips and a softer hairstyle. Barbie had been considered to be to "fake" and hard for little girls to live up to. Comedian, Chris Farley passed away because of a drug overdose. Farley grew fame on "Saturday Night Live" and continued into the movies. "Seinfeld" announced and completed its last episodes in May 1998, after only nine years of popular shows. "Ally McBeal" debuted on Fox and has continued to be a favorite among students in Dorr Hall. 1998 held the death of rap sensation the Notorious B.I.G. and Puff Daddy's tribute to him, "I'll Be Missing You" which went multi-platinum. In 2000, Puffy spent many hours in court being charged with drug possession. Ska hit the popular airwaves with Smash Mouth's "Walkin' On the Sun" and has continued to grow ever since. The 1st



Tibetan Freedom Concert was held in June as a political message and was arranged by Adam Yauch of the Beasty Boys. It continues to be a big issue today with the 3rd planned for this summer. Also this year Tibetan Monk, Palden Gyatso, spoke to many telling of his gruesome tale as a prisoner. The 1998 Olympic Games in Nagano, Japan debuted curling, snowboarding and women's ice hockey, as medal sports. Women made great strides in equal rights with WNBA in it's debut season and D. Kanter and V. Palmer became the first women to officiate an all-male sport; they were referees for the NBA. Along with the tragic death of Princess Diana, was the untimely death of Mother Teresa. John Denver also





passed on due to a plane crash into California's Monetary Bay. 1999 was the year of the Y2K bug, the incoming class of 2003, and boy bands. President Bill Clinton became the second president in United States history to be impeached; the Senate acquitted him after a five-week trial. He was charged with two counts of obstruction of justice and perjury. The Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery (Arlington, Virginia) had been DNA tested to conclude that Michael J. Blassie, an Air Force Pilot shot down in Vietnam is laid to rest there. The wrongful death of Matthew Shepard, a student at the University of Wyoming, was mourned by many. The apparent hate crime was in reaction to



the 21 year old's homosexual preferences. The East Coast was proven to get more rain showers on the weekends than during the week, this was said to be due to automotive emissions. Fall semester 1999, it rained every Monday. 1-800 numbers were in such great demand that 887 and 888 were also put into use for toll free calling. Cargo-pants, butterflies and dragonflies were





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the "hot" motif in clothing and considered must haves by many. Boy Bands hit the airwaves with N'sync, the Backstreet Boys, and 98 degrees. The Y2K bug was built up to be a world wide problem, but ended up not having any great affects on computers. The spring 2000 TV season was the end of popular shows like Perty of Five and Beverly Hills 90210 which was watched religiously by Alpha Phi. Fox aired both long running shows. Frank Sinatra passed away in November 1998. In 1999, Michael Jordan announced after winning his 6th Finals MVP award that he would be retiring for the second time. And in other mesmerizing sports figures, Mark McGwire hit 70 homeruns making breaking records. 2000 held anticipation and graduation. Many seniors started at the beginning of the semester counting weeks, days, hours and minutes until graduation. May 21st turned out to be a warm sunny day with lots of family and friends of the graduates seated around the Quad. A total of ????? students received their diplomas.

